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NAVIGATING THROUGH A TASK ON A  
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 23, 2009,**  
**INCLUDING DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.131**

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed June 23, 2009 (the "Office Action"), the response due date of which is extended to December 23, 2009, by the accompanying Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time, Applicant submits the following remarks and Rule 131 Declaration in the above-identified U.S. patent application:

**A Listing of the Claims** commences at pages 2 of this paper;

**Remarks/Arguments** commence on page 9 of this paper; and